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MARRIAGE.

On the 17th March, at S. Peter's Church,
Hongkong, by the Rev. J. H. FRANZ, M.A.,
assisted by the Rev. T. Wright, B.A., HUGH S.
WYNNE, of Gourock, Scotland, to ANNIE MAUD
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The Daily Press.
HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DESVRES ROAD, CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.
HONGKONG, 18TH MARCH, 1904

In spite of all reports as to the abandonment or capture of Port Arthur, the Russian fortress on the Liaotung peninsula is holding out; and now, as may be seen from the telegram which we publish to-day, General KUROPAKIN, the Russian Commander-in-Chief, has given orders to Admiral STOESSEL to continue to hold the place. We have a further indication of General KUROPAKIN's intention, for it is stated that he means to defend the line of the Yalu River with 250,000 men, while guarding his railway communications with another 150,000. Whether he has in Manchuria at the present moment these numbers or anything like them it is impossible to say. If he has, he must be experiencing tremendous difficulties in the commissariat department, without which working in good order it is obviously impossible to maintain a force of 400,000 men thousands of miles from their real base. However, if we take his statement as genuine, and not merely as meant to impress the Japanese, we must dismiss as imaginary the remark attributed to the General's *aid-de-camp* by REUTER a few days ago. The latter was reported to have declared that General KUROPAKIN would first of all recall Russian troops from Korea and would not commence operations until May, hoping to "have done with Japan" at the end of July. This bombastic utterance was not given much attention at the time; now it seems probable that it was never made. From what we know of General KUROPAKIN's previous career, the plan of campaign now attributed to him

looks far more probable than a policy of retreat. The only point to be settled is whether it is not too late for Russia to hold the line of the Yalu. We know little enough of the Japanese movements on land. Japan has, with the most perfect justification, in spite of the hysterical complaints of disappointed war correspondents, concealed her military operations entirely, so that the disposition of her troops is quite unknown. It is, however, known that her outposts in Korea have reached as far north as the Ching-chin-gang (or Chheng-chhen-gang) River, some fifty miles south of the Yalu, and over one hundred and fifty miles from Seoul. On the other side of the Yalu, the Japanese were reported some days ago to have got to Feng-hwang-cheng, which is about one hundred miles from Moukden and is right in the rear of any position the Russians may hold on the west bank of the Yalu; but since the first telegram to this effect we have had no confirmation of the news, except a strongly supported rumour in local military circles claiming to be based on official despatches. If it turns out to be true that the Japanese are at Feng-hwang-cheng, and if they are there in any force, it is difficult to see how General KUROPAKIN can hold to his plan of defending the line of the Yalu. Should he be compelled to relinquish his intention there will be nothing for him to do but to fall back either on Moukden or, further still, on Harbin, where Viceroy ALEXIEFF has now his headquarters. Such a retirement promises to seal the fate of Port Arthur, which already seems to be in dire straits. The Japanese, moreover, are expected to occupy Newchwang as soon as the thaw is sufficient to allow them to approach the harbour.

Before the actual outbreak of war, a well-known Japanese military officer, Colonel Oka, then in Europe, sketched to an interviewer his idea of his country's plan of campaign in event of hostilities. He anticipated first the naval success which has fallen to the lot of Japan. The main military force would then be landed at Chemulpo, as has also been done. Their objective would be Harbin, the junction of the lines from Siberia to Vladivostock and to Port Arthur. If this advance should fail, Japan would make the Yalu the line of defence, throwing up entrenchments and keeping open the communications by sea. In either case, Colonel Oka looked for a long and sanguinary war, but trusted to Japan being able to maintain the struggle owing to her advantages in the matter of transport. It is too early yet to judge to what extent the Japanese military expert was correct in his sketch of the plan of operations, but it certainly looks as if an attempt were going to be made to push on to Moukden after forcing or turning the position on the Yalu; and if Moukden can be reached, it is unlikely that Japan will be content without making every effort in her power to carry Harbin also and thus free Southern Manchuria from the Russians. But that the task will be one of enormous difficulty must be admitted by the warmest admirers of Japan. Success will settle definitely the question of the merits of the Japanese soldier. Those critics are many who anticipate Russia's victory when it comes to handling masses of troops. There are, however, really no data by which we can judge. Time alone will show.

A bottled-up drain has been unearthed at the Harbour office. It is to be hoped that nobody will catch typhoid.

Mr. Israel Putnam has announced the severance of his connection with the Manila *Cablenews*, which, from the 8th inst., has been leased to Mr. Frederick O'Brien, former business manager of that journal.

The cableship *Scotia* was wrecked last week off the island of Guam. It is impossible to say whether she can be saved or will be a total loss. The *Scotia* in a vessel of 4,667 tons register, a comparatively new steamer, and was commanded by Captain Rosenthal. She is the property of the Commercial Company's specially designed and constructed fleet for its cable-laying and repair work. The *Scotia* was on her way to Guam from Hongkong when she was wrecked.

The scenic charms of Ceylon appear to have laid firm hold of Sir Henry Blake, and he has given frequent expression to his feelings of admiration. A Colombo paper remarks that when Sir Henry referred to Galle as the sport "where once older nations exchanged the wealth of two hemispheres" he must have quite startled the good people of Galle, and says that "the condensed report of his remarks reads like an extract from *Lohair*—hardly a criticism justified by the speech, we think. We note, by the way, that in the course of the speech our late Governor said that apprehensions as to plague in Ceylon were exaggerated, as his large experience showed that plague could not exist in a temperature like Ceylon's.

Husbands v. Wives, a hockey match played at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, ended in a win for the Husbands by 4-2.

Hugh S. Wayne, of the Kowloon Docks, was married to Miss Annie Maude Parker, at St. Peter's Church yesterday morning. The bridegroom was Miss Ethel Parker (the bride's sister) and Miss Ann Guy. Mr. W. Nicholson was best man. A reception was held afterwards at the Hongkong Hotel.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Iremouer and officers, the band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel during dinner to-day (weather permitting):—

March "The Hallel of Bohemia" Ord Hume
Introduction 3rd Act *Lohengrin* Wagner
Selection "Herr, Kingland" Edward German
Song "The Everlasting Day" Bevan
Selection "The Mikado" Sullivan
Waltz "Auf Schu uzen der Liebe" Bohm
Mazurka "Slavonic Dance" Karoly Khy
"God Save the King"

Ceylon's attitude toward the proposed Russian prisoners may be gathered from the following paragraph in the *Times of Ceylon*:—"It would appear as if the rescued Russian sailors may not remain here very long, after all. According to Reuter, arrangements are being made between the British and Russian Governments whereby the sailors will be handed over to the Russian authorities, and allowed to return home on parole. If this is done, we hope there may be no necessity to land them, but that arrangements will be made allowing them to proceed in the *Namang* straight to Odessa."

In view of the extremely inclement weather to which the Tibet Mission is exposed, as revealed in our London correspondent's telegram to-day, the following despatch from Pharijung on the 25th ult. is of interest:—"The health of the troops so far is good. At Phari, though the fort is most insanitary, there have been only six deaths among the soldiers and followers, and the garrison has been singularly free from pneumonia, which is very prevalent at Tuna. At Tuna ten deaths took place, every case being pneumonia, the patients dying from suffocation owing to the rarefied air. In several cases of frostbite amputation has been necessary."

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FIRE IN JEROVIS STREET.

Fire broke out on the second floor of No. 37, Jervois Street, at about noon yesterday. The house in question was a two-story dingy-looking Chinese store and dwelling, with slate-colour brick-work and green window-bars—that is before the fire. The Fire Brigade, under the direction of Mr. E. R. Halifax, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police, and Chief Inspector of Police H. G. Baker, were prompt in answering the alarm, rushing from the Queen's Road Central Station with their extinguishing appliances. A fire-escape was put up against the second floor verandah of No. 35, and another against a house in a little back alley at the rear of the burning building. By means of these, and also by playing from the street, some four or five hoses were brought to bear on the flames. There was a good pressure of water in the mains. At one time, for a moment or so, a heavy shower of artificial rain came over the house-top into Jervois Street, causing the disconcerted crowd to scurry away in all directions. With a loud crash the pottery roof fell on to the second floor; but then—about twenty-past twelve—the fire was well under control, having been easily subdued. An escape was put to one of the top windows of the damaged building, through which one could now see daylight, and two brigade men, at considerable risk of having a cracked piece of protruding roof falling on their heads, mounted the ladder, thereby getting complete control of the situation. Every now and again breaking timbers and masonry were heard falling upon the upper floor, the latter becoming strained to the breaking point. An occasional splutter made by the contact of fire and water, followed by a cloud of steam, gave diversity to the scene. In the street, snake-like hoses branched everywhere. The huge sea of gaping Orientals were kept well at a distance by the Police, only a few of the more respectably dressed, insurance agents, and others, being permitted to make anything like a close approach. It may be remarked that the insurance men show badges of great variety; why do not the Police here, as elsewhere, cause them to be uniform in design? House No. 37, until a fortnight ago, carried on a silk business, but, as far as can be gathered, had to wind up a non-paying concern. It was conducted under the name of Fook Sun. House No. 39—Chap Yik—suffered more or less from water, as also did No. 35 on the other side. The former is well covered in Mosaics, Siamese & Co., and the latter in Mosaics, Siamese & Co., and Messrs. Reiss & Co. Both of them are doing trade in the piece-goods line.

We understand that the insurance policy of the burnt house, in the South British Co., has expired, and neither building or remaining stock is covered.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

THE WAR.

PORT ARTHUR TO BE HELD.

London, 17th Mar., 11 a.m.

General Kuropatkin has ordered Admiral Stoessel to continue to hold Port Arthur. The General intends to place 250,000 troops on the Yalu and to guard the railway with 150,000.

THE TIBET MISSION.

WEATHER DIFFICULTIES.

LONDON, 16th Mar., 11.5 a.m.

The Tibet Mission has been overtaken by a blizzard. The cold was intense, and for 36 hours there was no food to be had.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE WAR—JAPANESE ADVANCING.

LONDON, 15th Mar.

A Russian official despatch reports that four of the enemy's posts were discovered at the Ching-chin-gang River, north of Pingyang. It declares that a Japanese cavalry patrol fell into an ambuscade and was dispersed.

WHAT JAPAN AIMS AT.

LONDON, 16th Mar.

Baron Suyematsu, interviewed by Reuter, in England, said he wished the world to understand that Japan was not waging war for the purpose of material gain or enlarging her territory. What was called the "Yellow Peril" was a kind of nightmare. Japan would do her work in such a way as to secure peace for some decades.

THE RUSSIANS AT PORT ARTHUR.

LONDON, 15th Mar.

It is rumoured in Tokyo that the Russian fleet left Port Arthur after the 10th instant, making a dash to join the squadron at Vladivostock. A foreigner who has arrived at Newchwang from Port Arthur reports that a short engagement occurred there on Sunday, the 12th instant, the fleets exchanging twenty or thirty shots, the cruiser *Diana* receiving some damage.

PARLIAMENT—DEFEAT OF THE GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, 15th Mar.

On a motion by Mr. Redmond to reduce the Irish Education vote, the Government was defeated, on a scratch division, by 141 to 130.

CRICKET—END OF WARNER'S TOUR.

LONDON, 15th Mar.

England beat South Australia by nine wickets.

S. PATRICK'S DAY.

Yesterday was St. Patrick's Day. There were few evidences of a general celebration of the anniversary, though all loyal Irishmen did due honour in a quiet way to the memory of their patron saint. The absence of the shamrock was noticeable; no one appears to have thought of transplanting the "dear little shamrock" to China. Many ladies were to be seen wearing plain green nose-gays, and a great number of sailors from the American warships in the Harbour sported emerald favours on their jackets.

TRIAL TRIP.

On Wednesday afternoon the light draught sternwheel gunboat *An Hui* ran her trial in the harbour. This little vessel was built at Cosmopolitan Dock to the order of Messrs. E. C. Wilks & Co., for H.E. the Viceroy of Canton for special service on the higher reaches of the West River. This vessel has been built in the short period of two months from date of order. The principal dimensions are 72 feet over all, 13 feet beam, with a draught of one foot six inches only. The speed attained on the measured mile was 8½ knots, being nearly a knot over the guaranteed speed. The *An Hui* left to-day for Canton. The plans and specifications were prepared by Mr. W. C. Jack, M.I.N.A., of Messrs. E. C. Wilks & Co.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 15th at 11.25 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly in the Philippines and fallen in China and Japan.

The highest pressure is now found in Central Japan and an area of low pressure lies over the Loochoo Islands.

Gradients are very slight on the China coast and the China Sea.

Light variable winds will be met with in the Formosa Channel and the north part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Light variable winds; overcast, dull.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 16th March.

RAIN.

The rains have set in here, and people have to resign themselves to lack of exercise and general discomfort when out-of-doors. The farmers will, however, be rejoicing—but a little longer without rain and the crops would have suffered.

THE RAILWAY.

The work on the railway may be impeded by the rains, but it is announced that the Samshui extension will be opened to traffic on the 25th of this month. Visitors to the West River will find this a convenience, as the journey to Wuchow will be shortened by twelve hours. Operations on the main trunk line have for some time been in progress. From Wongsha the track goes west of the White Cloud Hills, and a 30-foot cutting has already been started upon.

THREATENED TROUBLE AT FATI.

On the 16th instant there was some small excitement at Fati. The building of godowns is now about to be begun at Fong-chuen, on the northern end of Fati Island, all preliminary preparations having been made. As is usual when house-building, the Chinese started constructing mounds; but the contractor found that for some unknown reason he was likely to meet with considerable opposition. He was compelled to report to Mr. Danby's assistant, Mr. Furnell, that a large crowd had gathered round the mounds, and were threatening to destroy Mr. Furnell's guard through the Consular authorities, and the work is now progressing peacefully.

THE BUND.

The bund now looks large on the riverside. It is a sight worth seeing when the sand-boats are depositing their loads; they are there in vast numbers, and the whole forms a busy scene. A large section has been reclaimed from the river, and it is evident that if the bund is to be the same through all its length as it is now a very great convenience will have been provided for business.

[FROM ANOTHER CORRESPONDENT.]

SOCIAL ITEMS.

What will probably be the last dance of the season was given at the Club Theatre on Tuesday night, the 15th inst., and in spite of the torrential rain, was very largely attended, a tribute to the popularity of that genial medico, the host. The decorations were on an entirely novel plan, and did great credit to the originality and taste of the lady who was responsible for them, and who seems to be accorded the position of fairy godmother, in lending kindly help to the bachelor entertainers of the Shamen. Altogether it was one of the most successful and enjoyable evenings we remember.

On Saturday evening the A.D.C. will produce *Aunt Charlotte's Maid*, the cast being as follows:—

Horatio Thomas Sparkins Mr. L. H. Gilman
Major Valley Mr. G. W.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OPIUM PILLS V. OPIUM-SMOKING
TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 16th March.

Sir.—According to the statement in the leading article appearing in your issue of this morning, it is alleged that opium pills and wine are taken by the opium-smokers as substitutes for opium-smoking, and the Opium Farmer is therefore entitled to have the privilege of selling the pills and wine in addition to prepared opium which he has originally monopolised. As some of the remarks in the article referred to might mislead some people who have no knowledge of the pills and their remedial effect on the habit of opium-smoking, allow me to point out that the pills in question are medicinally prepared for cutting off the habit of opium-smoking, or at least reducing gradually the usual quantity of opium daily consumed by the confirmed smokers. Whatever large sum of money the present Opium Farmer has paid for his monopoly to sell prepared opium within this Colony has nothing to do with the present case, and he is therefore entitled to no rightful claim from the Government for preparing and selling these pills by himself.

Opium-pills, as well-known to all, are intended for the relief of the long suffering of those unfortunate who want to get rid of the habit but have not the means to do so; hence, common sense will tell us that they are taken by the confirmed smokers more as a drug than a luxury. As a matter of fact, the introduction of such drug for sale by outsiders means a direct disadvantage for the Opium Farmer, who had spent about \$2,000,000 to acquire the exclusive right for his business; but if humanity stands aloof, I do not think the present Opium Farmer should make any protest at all. In my humble opinion, opium-pills should not be sold by the Opium Farmer.

If it should be argued that the Government ought to protect the interest of the Farm which had so generously contributed so large a sum of money to the colonial coffers for the acquirement of the monopoly, then the public should, on the other hand, look to the Opium Farmer to compensate the families and relatives of those who happen to die of opium-poisoning or those who are rendered physically unfit for earning their daily bread. Enclosing my card.—Yours, etc.

OPIUM-ABSTAINER.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 17th March.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE HON. SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

A GINGER FIRM BANKRUPT.

Mr. John Hastings, solicitor, appeared in support of a petition by Joo Tak Song for a receiving order on the Chi Loong ginger firm. He stated that the firm's act of bankruptcy was that the partners had left the Colony shortly before the China New Year, leaving the business entirely unprotected. The assets amounted to about \$5,000.

His Lordship asked if this was the well-known firm of Chai Loong or Chi Loong, ginger merchants?

Mr. Hastings said it was not.

His Lordship remarked that he supposed this was a case where a firm was using a name as nearly as possible alike to that of the Chai Loong and trading upon the latter's business.

Mr. Hastings—I believe that is so, my Lord. His Lordship made a receiving order, and appointed Mr. Bruce Shepherd as Receiver.

A BIG DEFICIT.

In re Law Yik Lam, ex parte Chung In Kwong, Mr. John Hays, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes, and Master, solicitors, appeared in support of an application for a receiving order. He stated that the assets amounted to \$53,000, including outstanding debts and the liabilities to, roughly, \$80,000.

In evidence, the petitioning creditors stated that they would be able to collect possibly about \$18,000 of the assets.

His Lordship granted a receiving order, Mr. Bruce Shepherd to be Receiver.

MORE ABSCONDING CREDITORS.

The Joo Tak Song firm and two other firms applied for a receiving order on the estate of the Ching Hang firm, merchants.

Mr. John Hastings, solicitor, who appeared for the petitioning creditors, stated that the partners of the firm had left the Colony shortly before the China New Year, leaving in charge of the business a manager who had also since departed. Assets were estimated at about \$2,000.

His Lordship made a receiving order and appointed Mr. Bruce Shepherd to act as Receiver.

MARINE ENQUIRY.

BEFORE HON. L. BARNES, LAWRENCE (HARBOUR MASTER).

An enquiry was held at the Harbour Master's office into the circumstances connected with a charge of negligent navigation, in the waters of the Colony at 1.25 p.m. on the 16th inst., against Chan Kit, the master of a launch. The coxswain of the Harbour Office launch stated that when returning from Stonecutters' towards the Harbour Master he saw the defendant's launch on his port side, crossing his bows. He took no notice at first, but shortly after had to stop his engine to avoid collision. Though he did manage to avoid collision with the launch, he came in contact with a sampan the launch was towing.

After the defendant had spoken the Harbour Master said that neither of the coxswains properly understood the meaning of blasts on the whistle. They were to be more careful in future.

In connection with this collision two men in the sampan were thrown overboard.

HONGKONG BRANCH CHINA ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the China Association was held yesterday in the Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall. Mr. R. Clatterton Wilcox (Chairman) presided, and there were also present Messrs. G. W. F. Playfair, D. R. Law, H. E. Tomkins, A. G. Wood, E. S. Wheeler and C. Pomberton (on. secretary), committee: Messrs. G. L. Tomlin, A. Forbes, G. H. Dunn, Hon. Gresham Stewart, Messrs. J. R. Michael, H. E. R. Hunter, Mr. Stewart, A. J. Raymond, G. C. Maxon, C. H. Thompson, W. G. Humphreys, and E. W. Mitchell.

The Hon. SECRETARY read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen,—I propose with your leave that the report and statement of accounts be taken as read. Before addressing myself to the business of the day, I desire, on behalf of the Committee, to express our great regret at the circumstances that have placed me in the chair to-day. I allude to the enforced resignation by Mr. Playfair of the Chairmanship owing to the affection of his eyesight. This is, I am glad to say, much improved already, but he will need to be careful for some time not to tax it unnecessarily, and has given us plainly to understand that he will not be able to resume the duties he discharged so efficiently. I am sure we are all very much indebted to Mr. Playfair for the way in which he has conducted the business of the Association during the past year and a half. (Applause.) I do not wish to inflict a long speech upon you, but there are some points in the Committee's report upon which I propose to touch and to which, owing to the receipt of advices from London since it was compiled, I can add some particulars. I would first, however, like to record our indebtedness to Mr. James Scott, our late Consul-General at Canton, for the unfailing courtesy which has always marked his relations with the Association and the sleepless energy with which he guarded British interests. (Hear, hear.) We only hope that the Association will find in the future equally able, equally zealous, and equally patriotic coadjutors among the members of the British Consular staff. (Applause.) The British Representatives in Kwangtung can do much to serve British interests if they are not too closely wedded to red tape, and can help the Association most effectively if they are so inclined. Mr. Scott took that course, and the Association found it a pleasure to work with him. British trade in the Two Kwang is always menaced, more or less, by insidious attempts on the part of the native officials to hamper it by imposing new duties or creating fresh obstructions. Thanks to the prompt measures taken by Mr. Scott and Sir Ernest Satow several such attempts were defeated last year. Further similar attempts to create fresh sources of revenue for hungry mandarins will assuredly be made, and it is necessary for our Consular Authorities to be constantly on the alert, and for this Association to be equally vigilant to warn, to aid, or to back up their representations. Since our last meeting we have scored an important success in securing the opening of eight new ports of call on the West River, which has led to a considerable development of trade on that waterway. Kongmou was also opened to foreign trade on the 7th inst., and excellent results may be expected to result from that concession. So far, Nanning, on the West River, which was to have been made a treaty port has not been opened, and the British Government appear to be in some doubt whether this concession is worth pressing for probably because it is not us yet accessible steamer. (Applause.) I think, however, that the position of Nanning as a distributing centre and the head of the junk traffic on the West River, makes it of sufficient importance to justify agitation for its eventual constitution as a treaty port, and it is too early yet to abandon the idea of being able to ascend the river to that point in flat-bottomed light draft stern-wheel steamers, at any rate for a portion of the year. At the same time it cannot be denied that the accounts of those who have ascended the river from Wuchow to Nanning agree in describing the country as poor, thinly populated, and only partially cultivated even where cultivated. Of infinitely more importance to this colony would be the opening of Waichow as a Treaty Port. This is the chief centre of trade on the East River and lies in the midst of a fertile and populous country. It is accessible by a good native road or path from the head of Miri Bay, and it could easily be placed in railway communication with Kowloon, by way of Shamchon and Shekou. In December last your Committee addressed a letter on this subject to the London Office, who forwarded it on to the Foreign Office. A reply has come to hand, since the report was printed, in which it is pointed out that His Majesty's Government can hardly press for this concession as it forms part of the consideration to be granted by the Chinese Government in return for the payment of the surtax under Art. VIII. of the Treaty of 1902 but that the British Minister at Peking will be requested to urge upon the Chinese Ministers the desirability of opening the port without further delay unless he is of opinion that there is no likelihood of their entertaining the proposal I trust that the Chinese Government will

prove to be more inclined to promote progress than has hitherto been the case, since it is evident that the concession must be voluntary on their part—at least for the present. Important as the opening of Waichow is likely to prove to Hongkong, however, the question pales into insignificance beside that of the construction of the Kowloon-Canton Railway. (Applause.) It was fondly imagined when the concession for this project was obtained some five or six years ago (I see Lord Percy says it was signed on the 28th March, 1899) by a British Syndicate that steps would promptly be taken to carry it into effect. These anticipations have not been fulfilled. The Syndicate with unaccountable apathy have kept their talent wrapped in a napkin until public opinion both here and in the United Kingdom has forced an earnest expression against their delay and even the Chinese (with whom procrastination is a second nature) are asking why if the Syndicate did not mean to utilise it they troubled to obtain the concession. Our late Governor, Sir Henry Blake, spoke out most impressively on this subject, when bidding the community farewell, and your Committee have not failed to follow up his suggestions. When writing on the subject of the opening of Waichow, the question of railway communication was gone into at some length and a suggestion made for some subsidy, grant, or guarantee for that portion of the line passing through British territory. Copies of this letter were also handed to the Colonial Government and to the British and Chinese Corporation, by whom it is now being considered. I hope they will consider it to good purpose. You will observe in to-day's *Daily Press* a telegram stating that the German railway has been opened to Tsinanfu. What the Germans do we ought to be able to do. I understand that the Colonial Government have made representations on the subject to Downing Street, and I note that Earl Percy (Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs), replying to a question on the subject in the House of Commons on the 10th inst., stated that the matter was receiving very careful attention from the Government. But while there are these reassuring indications that the question is at last receiving some attention, it will not do for this Association to rest on their oars and be satisfied. It will be necessary to watch this matter ceaselessly and never lose an opportunity of pressing for immediate action. The colonists of Hongkong cannot afford to accept mere assurances on a subject so vitally affecting their interests; they should never rest content until they see the tunnels being driven through the Kowloon hills, and the track being laid from the Kowloon terminus. (Applause.) Turning to another question of local interest, namely the grave violation of the King's sovereignty involved in the ruthless murder of the schoolmaster, Yeung Kuei Man, in Gage Street in September, 1900, the facts of which were disclosed at the trial of one of the assassins last May in the Supreme Court, you will observe by the appendix that the Committee did not fail to make representations on the subject, through the London Office, to the Imperial Government. No answer has, so far, been received from the Foreign Office, but we hear from the Colonial Government that the question is still engaging attention, and that the Government may be relied upon to take proper action in the circumstances. The Committee hope therefore that such steps have been taken as will prevent the repetition of acts that are calculated, while lowering British prestige, to terrorise the native population of this Colony and cause them to lose confidence in the protective power of the British flag. On the question of the maintenance of Foreign Post Offices in China, some correspondence has passed, and we have made strong recommendations that, while deprecating a resort to the methods adopted by France in opening Post Offices where there are practically no French interests, the British Government should not surrender any sign or symbol of authority or influence in China unless other Powers were prepared to follow suit. Curiously enough, we have since received advices from the London Office stating that on this question they had again addressed the Foreign Office, suggesting that the Hongkong postage stamps should be surcharged with the names of the Treaty Ports just as the French have done with the Indo-China stamps. This is the action we deprecate, and we thought we had been very explicit in the matter. You will see by the correspondence that we have been. The continued occupation of Newchwang by the Russian authorities, and their interference with the trade of that port has led to the interchange of much correspondence, and excited a great deal of just indignation on the part of those engaged in trade with this Chinese Treaty Port. I do not propose to travel over the ground again, for time will not permit. The Association has protested, the Chambers of Commerce have protested, but so far with no result beyond the receipt of suave assurances from the Russian Government. The latest of these, received by Lord Lansdowne on the 8th January, was quoted in the House of Commons by Earl Percy on the 8th ult., and is to the following effect:—“In order to prevent all misunderstanding and misconstruction, Russia considers it indispensable, independently of the conditions which will in the future definitely determine the character of her relations with Manchuria, to declare from this day forth that she has no intention whatever of placing any obstacle in the way of the continued enjoyment by Foreign Powers of

the rights acquired by them in virtue of the “Treaties now in force.” If only we could repose any trust in such assurances! Unfortunately we have listened too often to similar utterances, which are made apparently for one purpose—to gain time. These tactics precipitated hostilities if they did not cause the present war. When that struggle comes to an end it will be the duty of the Treaty Powers to see that their rights in Manchurian Treaty ports are secured, and that no interference with Chinese control is permitted in the future. (Applause.) I regret to have to record that on the important matter of the currency in China no progress has been made during the past year. The Peking Government have engaged to put their currency on a proper basis, and it is most decided in their interest to do so; but in this, as in everything in China, delay must be expected. As you will remember, in January we despatched a telegram to Mr. Chamberlain expressing our sympathy with his efforts to bring about a reform in the fiscal tariff so as to obtain something more like reciprocal treatment of British products and manufactured by foreign States. That telegram was followed up by a letter, which is published in the appendix to the report before you. We took advantage of the occasion to point out to the ex-Colonial Secretary that even here, in this free port, British industries and undertakings were suffering by reason of the prohibitive tariffs of neighbouring States and the heavy subsidies made to foreign lines of steamers, which are thus enabled to compete unfairly with local shipping on the coast and in the rivers of South China. I refrain from going into detail here, but this is one of the questions of the future which will have to be agitated. It is interesting to note the present attitude of the Government on this question, which cropped up in the House of Commons on the 8th ult. Earl Percy, replying to a question moved to the subject to Downing Street, and I note that Mr. Wilton, who maintained that it was the duty of the Government to maintain or increase British trade, said:—“So long as the country adhered to its present fiscal policy that was not only not the duty of the British Government, but it was a duty not in their power to discharge.” He went on to intimate, in most unmistakable language, that unless the Government changed its fiscal policy and more or less adopted that of foreign countries in giving subsidies, drawbacks, and preferences, they could only see that an open door to trade was kept and not a door that was occasionally ajar. I think, however, gentlemen, that the time is coming when British trade will require something more than this, that it will need to be placed on fair and equal terms with that of other countries, and if those countries endeavour to foster their shipping or their manufactures by subsidies or bounties, we shall, in self-defence, have to ask our Government to at least impose extra tonnage or light dues on subsidised shipping or a special tax on bountified manufactures in order to place them on an equality with our own ships or goods. (Applause.) I think there is nothing more that I can usefully add, and will simply propose that the report and accounts before you be now adopted. (Applause.)

Hon. GRESHAM STEWART.—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen,—I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts. The report came into my hands about two days ago, and when Mr. Wilton asked me to second the motion for its adoption I hardly thought I would have time to know very much about what the Association has been doing. However, I am glad to say that when I opened the report and began to read it, the subject-matter of which it treated was of such interest that I read it right through without once putting it down. I congratulate the committee on the useful work they have done, especially since the latter half of 1903, when they have actively tackled several very important subjects. The three which occur to me as the most interesting are the occupation of Newchwang by the Russians in violation of all pledges and treaties, the construction of the railway between here and Canton, and the opening of Waichow. With regard to the first, I feel that protests such as ours will carry considerable weight with our Home Government, especially at a moment such as the present. It seems to me that, although our country has taken no active steps to vindicate its treaty rights openly, protests such as that which has been sent forward by this committee will strengthen them in their determination to support to the utmost of their ability what our allies are endeavouring now by all their efforts in their power to secure—free and open rights in Manchuria to all traders. (Applause.) With regard to the construction of the railway, I do not know enough about it to express an opinion about the deviation of route which the committee's letter of 12th December recommends. But I am heartily glad to see that the committee have addressed themselves to the British and Chinese Corporation upon the subject of this long hung-up concession. I am of opinion that failing every other means of making that railway it would be a sound thing for this Colony to guarantee a moderate interest on the cost of construction. In any case the amount the Colony would be liable for would not be very great, and if the railway prospered the guarantee of a certain interest might never be called up; and I consider that even in the event of a small debit in the first year or two the prospects of a fair revenue from that railway are extremely good—(applause)—because the Canton delta is, as we all know, both fertile and populous. In regard to the opening of Waichow, that is a thing that I hope the committee will always bear in mind and, if the railway is

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brought into the field of practical politics, will press for. (Applause.) It seems from all accounts to be necessary as a link in the railway between Kowloon and Canton, which, if taken in the way the committee recommend would not interfere with the great interests we have in our steamers on the waterway, and would render it impossible for anybody else to develop any port on the banks of the river against this port. (Applause.)

I was very pleased to see that the committee in their letter of 12th December quoted the weighty words which Sir Henry Blake gave on his going away on this subject, and I am very glad to see that the Officer Administering the Government (page 25 of this report) has taken the matter specially under his control; at least he has brought all the influence he has got to bear on that point. I think we are not unduly sanguine when we think that with all these different influences brought to bear on it, this railway will be made to go ahead by some means or other. (Applause.)

Well, gentlemen, after reading these letters I feel that the committee were fortunate in having their views put forward in such a thoughtful and lucid way as the Chairman has done.

With regard to the accounts we are in a very happy position; money is coming in and very little going out. The account is mostly on one side. I have no doubt that as our balance increases we will find some useful means of utilising it. (Applause.)

With these remarks, I have very much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The next business was the election of a Committee.

Mr. G. L. TOMLIN moved that the present committee be re-elected *en bloc* as follows:—

Messrs. R. C. Wilcox, D. R. Law, H. E. Tomkins, G. W. F. Playfair, A. G. Wood, E. S. Wheeler, and W. J. Saunders.

Mr. E. W. MITCHELL seconded, and the motion was agreed to unanimously.

This was all the public business.

POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 17th March.

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

PENALTY FOR GETTING MARRIED.

Ho Fui had been a boatman in the employ of the Water Police for the past twelve months. On the 4th inst. he left his uniform at the Station, and donning plain clothes walked out, and remained away until the afternoon of the 16th inst., when he was arrested while walking on the street by a Chinese P.C. Inspector Langley took charge of the case and prosecuted him for desertion. Evidence was given by Inspector Langley that defendant was absent from duty on the 4th inst. He had not asked for or obtained leave. Witness instructed his men to look out for him and arrest him if found. On the evening of the 16th inst. he was brought to the Station by a Chinese P.C. He was dressed in plain clothes. Defendant said that he wanted to go to Canton to get married, and so he went. He was a new man, and did not know that he must ask for leave. He did not intend to desert. He was on his way to the Station when he was arrested. He came back to Hongkong on the 16th, and that night he slept at the station. It was pointed out to him that that was not of his own accord, as he was kept there under arrest. Continuing, defendant said the reason he did not return to the station at once was because he had a letter to deliver for a friend in Canton, and was going to the station after delivering the letter.

His Worship said that there was no evidence to show that the defendant intended to desert, but it was clear that he had absented himself from duty without leave, contrary to the ordinance. He must therefore be convicted on that count, and must go to 4 days hard labour, with 3 hours in the stocks, as a deterrent to his *confrères* on the Force.

His Worship said that there was no evidence to show that the defendant intended to desert, but it was clear that he had absented himself from duty without leave, contrary to the ordinance. He must therefore be convicted on that count, and must go to 4 days hard labour, with 3 hours in

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T H E TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 12, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, TOMORROW (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 16th MARCH, to SATURDAY, the 19th MARCH (both days inclusive).

SHI-WAN, TOME & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [678]

HEAD OFFICE—ST. PETERSBURG.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

T H E FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, TOMORROW (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 19th of MARCH, both days inclusive.

J. WHELEY,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [651]

NOTICE.

T H E ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL TOMORROW (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company, to the 31st December, 1903, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 19th of MARCH, both days inclusive.

C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1904. [696]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

T H E TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 24th MARCH, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th to 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [683]

NOTICE.

T H E following Notice is published.

By Command,

A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1904.

NOTICE.

A MEETING of HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held in the JUSTICES' ROOM, at the Magistracy, at 2.15 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 22nd day of MARCH, 1904, for the purpose of considering the following application:

From one JAMES CHRISTIE to sell and retail intoxicating liquors on the premises situated at No. 2, Shukwan Road, under the sign of "THE METEOPOLIS HOTEL."

T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Police Magistrate.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1904. [729]

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

T H E FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 31, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 23rd MARCH, both days inclusive.

CHAN A FOOK,
G. A. WATKINS,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [734]

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

T H E EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 29, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The REGISTRY of SHARES and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th MARCH, until TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfers can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. A. SOUZA,
Secretary.

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [160]

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Can take vessels up to 1,000 tons gross.DOCK No. 2 (at MUKAIJIMA)
Extreme Length 371 feet.
Length on Blocks 350
Width of Entrance on Top 66
Width of Entrance on Bottom 53
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PATENT SLIP (at KOSUGI).
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AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-DAY (FRIDAY),
the 18th MARCH, 1904, commencing at 2.30 P.M.
at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,
A COLLECTION OF
JAPANESE CURIOS,
Comprising—

SATSUMA VASES and JARS, IMARI
PLATES, CLOISONNE Silver and other
vases, OLD BRONZE VASES, SILK
EMBROIDERED SCREENS, and a Variety
of TEA-SETS, &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.
Catalogues will be issued.
On View from 17th March, 1904.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [717]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to sell by Public Auction,
TO-DAY (FRIDAY),
the 18th MARCH, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his
SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,
A few Choice Specimens of
JAPANESE ART SILVERWARE
INLAID WITH IVORY & CLOISONNE,
Comprising—

VASES, BOWLS, POWDER BOXES,
CIGARETTE CASES, MATCH BOXES,
BUCKLES, CHARMS, etc., etc.;

A Quantity of SATSUMA, CLOISONNE,
PORCELAIN WARE, etc., etc., etc.
On View from Thursday, the 17th March.
Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong, 16th March, 1904. [758]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),
the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his
SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,

SUNDAY FURNITURE, 1 ELECTRIC
FAN, 1 FLUTE, 1 OLD VIOLIN, 2
COMPASSES, 2 ANERODICS, 1 STEAM
GAUGE, 1 WALKER'S PATENT CHUBB
LOG, 1 ENGINE, 4in. STROKE, &c.,
SILKS, CRETTONNE, MUSLINS, TABLE
COVERS, DRESS MATERIAL, SUIT
LENGTHS, SOCKS, &c.,
STRAW HATS and LADIES' HATS,
&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE:—As customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [767]

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V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [767]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of
the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be
held on MONDAY, the 21st day of MARCH,
1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public
Works Department, by Order of His Excellency
the Officer Administering the Government, of
One Lot of Crown Foreshore and Sea Bed at
North Point, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a
term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a
Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His
Majesty the KING, for one further term of
75 years. [745]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Content in sq. yards	Annual Rent	Open Price
		N.W. R.R. N.E. R.R.			
		ft. ft. ft.	ft.		

Marine Lot No. 285 Point 400 144 522 445 201,132 2,078 70,400

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY Order of the Mortgagor, Mr. GEO. P.
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Being Nos. 3 and 4, West End Terrace, Bouham
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The following are the Particulars:—

All that piece or parcel of ground situate at
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Inland Lot No. 689 containing an area 7500

square feet and is held for the residue of the
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of June, 1861, created therein by a Crown lease
of the said Inland Lot No. 689 dated the 28th

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Terrace and which said piece or parcel of
ground is held subject to the payment of \$28,08

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Monthly rental of No. 3, West End Terrace
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Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [746]

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Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [150]

CHESS NOTES.

BY X. Y. Z.

Very little has been happening in local Chess
circles lately; fact which must be the present
writer's excuse for the disappearance of
"Chess Notes" for a considerable period. Last
Wednesday, however, there was an interesting
match at the Chess Club, Mr. G. A. Woodcock
"A" team—practically the Club team with the
four top players barred. In addition, the visitors
included in their ranks one Club member, Mr.
J. H. Komp, who won his game. The result
of a close match was a win for the Chess Club
by 3 games to 2. The following was the score,
the names being arranged alphabetically in the
winners' list:—

BR.G.H.C.	MR. WOODCOCK'S TEAM
C. R. S. Cooper	1 J. R. Wood
R. A. Dastur	1 Dr. Parry
R. H. Newborn	0 J. H. Komp
W. W. Pelling	1 Dr. Gibson
T. Swaby	0 G. A. Woodcock
	3 2

The Cambridge Spring Chess Congress,
U.S.A., will be held in the States with
becoming hospitality, it goes without saying.
Among other arrangements already made for
the competitors is a reception at the White
House on the 19th prox. Play will probably
commence on the 25th prox. Acceptances
include: Lasker, Janowsky, Schlechter, and
Teichmann.

A chess tournament commenced at Monte
Carlo on the 8th ult., the competitors numbering
six—Messrs. Gutsberg, Maroczy, Maroczy,
Marshall, Schlechter, Swiderski. At the end of
the third round the scores were:—Marshall,
21; Maroczy and Schlechter, 21; M. A. 11;
Swiderski, 1; Gutsberg, 0. The first prize is
5,000 francs.

A Plymouth paper tells of a correspondence
player of rare enthusiasm. It says: "Charles
Platt, of Wetheral, has conducted as many as
117 correspondence games at one time, though
at present, business being quiet, he has only a
paltry seventy-six on hand. He replies to his
opponents at the rate of twenty-five moves per
hour, and each evening sits down flanked by a
timing clock, and deals with his many post
cards at that rate. His boards are of the
folding cardboard type, which can be packed
away in a drawer, and of these he possesses
1000."

Electric incandescent lamps have been
supposed to be perfectly safe in surgical operations,
but a recent explosion of ether vapour was traced
to the spark made at contact in turning on the
light.

From an investigation of the Sydney plague
epidemic of 1902 Dr. A. Thompson concludes
that both this and previous epidemics were
undoubtedly spread by rats. Just how this was
done has been a matter of much doubt; as to
the theory that rats were the carriers it has
been objected that the species of fleas living on
rats do not bite man. The question seems to
have been settled by the discovery that one
species—*Psoroptes serraticeps*—is common to man,
rats, and other animals.

Settlement of the tropics by Europeans is
pronounced impracticable by F. Hennepin, an
minent authority, who finds that only the
strongest become acclimated, and they soon
degenerate.

For many years unsuccessful attempts have
been made to produce a useful substitute for
celluloid from the casein of skimmed milk. It
is claimed that the difficulties are now overcome
in the "galalith," or millet-stone, that in Germany
is being made into many articles having
the appearance of horn, ebony, or marble.
The material is made by roasting the casein
involucrums by acetate of lead or other metallic
salt, then freezing from water and drying, and
finally adding formaldehyde. Soot or other
substance is used for colouring. Galalith has
the advantages over celluloid of igniting less
easily and being odourless, and unlike other
casein products, it absorbs only a small percentage
of water.

The Gulf of Kara-bugaz, lately explored by
Col. Spindler, covers 7,500 square miles, and has
a depth of only 34 to 35 feet. Through a channel
not only 80 fathoms wide it receives a constant
flow of water from the Caspian. This water
rapidly evaporates, raising the salinity of the
gulf to 16.3 per cent., and covering the bottom with vast deposits of gypsum and
Epsom salt. It is estimated that the Epsom
salt covers 1,300 square miles, with a thickness
of 7 feet or more.

Artificial phosphate, claimed to be superior
as a fertilizer to the natural, is now made a
Magdeburg, Germany. The process, that of
Herr. Wolters, consists in melting in a reverberatory
furnace a mixture of 10 parts of
coarsely crushed phosphate, 70 parts of acid
sulphate of soda, 22 parts of carbonate of lime,
22 parts of sand, and 1 part of cinders. The
molten mass is poured into water, dried, and
crushed to fineness.

Electric incandescent lamps have been
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to the spark made at contact in turning on the
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The Undersigned is now prepared to
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Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [99]

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Mar. 16, ANDALUSIA, German str., 4,753, G. Schmidt, Captain 12th March, General.—HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
Mar. 16, NINGPO, British str., 1,240, Boyd, Shanghai 13th March, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Mar. 16, SAINT BEDE, British str., 2,258, J. W. Hartley, Manila 13th March, General.—DODWELL & CO., LTD.
Mar. 17, ALBENGA, German str., 2,769, R. Petrone, Shanghai 13th Mar., General.—CARLOWITZ & CO.
Mar. 17, ANHUA, French str., 3,522, G. Tronck, Haiphong 13th March, General.—MELCHERS & CO.
Mar. 17, CHIYOSHIMA, British str., 1,424, H. J. Eeoo, Shanghai 12th March and Swatow 16th, General.—JADINE, MATHESON & CO.
Mar. 17, KATANGA, British str., 2,734, McBride, Barry 27th Jan. and Singapore 10th Mar., Coal—C. R. O'WELL & CO.
Mar. 17, LOONGSANG, British str., 1,092, G. S. Weigall, Manila 14th March, General.—JADINE, MATHESON & CO.
Mar. 17, NEIDI, British str., 2,995, J. P. Smier, Moji 12th Mar., General.—BRADLEY & CO.
Mar. 17, TULAJAP, Dutch str., 2,478, H. Koops, Amoy 16th March, General.—HOLLAND CHINA TRADING CO.
Mar. 17, WUCHANG, British str., 801, Finlayson, Holo 14th March, Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HONGKONG MASTER'S OFFICE.
17th March.
Andalusia, German str., for Calcutta.
Cheung, British str., for Canton.
Saint Ede, British str., for Shanghai.
Tiber, German str., for Shanghai.
Triumph, German str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

16th March.
VICTORIA, American str., for Tacoma.
17th March.
AMADETON, British str., for Diamond Island.
AUSTRALIAN, British str., for Yokohama.
BOENE, British str., for Singapore.
CALL DEDERICSEN, German str., for Pakhoi.
CHOWTAI, German str., for Bangkok.
ELE, German str., for Saigon.
EVA, Norwegian str., for Saigon.
GLAUCUS, British str., for London.
HAILONG, British str., for Swatow.
NINGPO, British str., for Canton.
ONSHAO, British str., for Samarat.
PHRANAO, German str., for Bangkok.
WHAMPOA, British str., for Shanghai.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

17th March.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—
KOWLOON DOCKS—H. J. G. M. S. Mowat.
H.M.S. Glory, Eliza Rickmers, Lin Tan, Solent, Southern, Hanor, U.S.S. Kentucky, Stoiberg, Chienkuai.
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Hongkong, 16th March, 1904.

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Hongkong, 16th March, 1904.

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Hongkong, 15th March, 1904.

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LONDON & ANTWERP	AJAX	Brit. str.	R. F. Summers	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	Tomorrow.
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SIMLA	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	26th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LING	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	29th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	JAVA	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	About 30th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHON	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	12th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	26th April.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SYDNEY	Fren. str.	Blanc	MELCHERS & CO.	22nd inst., at 1 P.M.
HAMBURG	PREUSSEN	Ger. str.	D. Prehn	MELCHERS & CO.	30th inst., at Noon.
HAMBURG	SAMIA	Ger. str.	Lanning	MELCHERS & CO.	21st inst.
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HAMBURG	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	MELCHERS & CO.	12th April.
HAMBURG	SUEVA	Ger. str.	Dobren	MELCHERS & CO.	25th April.
HAMBURG	AETEMISIA	Ger. str.	Gronemeyer	MELCHERS & CO.	3rd May.
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HAMBURG	SILENE	Aus. str.	Stabile	MELCHERS & CO.	22nd inst.
HAMBURG	IDOMENEUS	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	20th April.
HAMBURG	KENNEBEC	Brit. str.	Geo. R. Wallace	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 21st inst.
HAMBURG	AFRIDI	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	Early April.
HAMBURG	E. OF CHINA	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	30th inst.
HAMBURG	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	27th April.
HAMBURG	TREMONT	Brit. str.	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	25th inst.
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ROON	WEDNESDAY	3rd August
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	17th August
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY	31st August
GENEISENAU	WEDNESDAY	14th September
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY	28th September
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY	26th October
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY	9th November
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY	23rd November
PRINZ REGENT LUFTPOLD	WEDNESDAY	7th December
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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 11th March, 1904.

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